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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 4, 2009, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Group III, Claim(s) 1, 2, 11-13, 22 and 23, drawn to a method of attenuating infection or transmission of an immunodeficiency virus via a p21 inhibitor that is 2-cyano-3,12-dioxooleana-1,9-dein-28-oic acid, for continued examination.

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